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[CHAPTER 629]

AN ACT

December 26, 1941
[S. 2087]
[Public Law 377]

To extend the time for examination of monthly accounts covering expenditures by disbursing officers of the United States Marine Corps.

Marine Corps.
Examination of certain monthly accounts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time for examination of monthly accounts covering expenditures by disbursing officers of the United States Marine Corps after the date of actual receipt at headquarters, United States Marine Corps, and before transmitting the same to the General Accounting Office, as limited by section 12 of the Act of July 31, 1894 (28 Stat. 209), as amended, is hereby extended from twenty to sixty days. In time of war or national emergency and for a period of eighteen months after such war or emergency shall have ceased to exist, the time for examination of such monthly accounts is hereby extended from sixty to ninety days.

31 U. S. C. §§ 78, 496.

Approved, December 26, 1941.

[CHAPTER 630]

AN ACT

December 26, 1941
[S. 2096]
[Public Law 378]

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to proceed with the construction of certain public works, and for other purposes.

Naval shore activities.
Appropriation authorized.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, $310,000,000 for the establishment or development of naval shore activities by the construction of such temporary or permanent public works as the Secretary of the Navy may consider necessary, including buildings, facilities, accessories, and services, with which shall be included the authority to acquire the necessary land: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to acquire Floyd Bennett Field, Kings County, New York, and adjacent suitable areas, including buildings, improvements, and facilities at a cost not to exceed $18,750,000, and to establish the same as a naval air station: *Provided further*, That in the purchase of Floyd Bennett Field the Navy Department shall take into consideration expenditures by any Federal agency from Federal funds in or for developing such field prior to acquisition thereof by the United States.

Provisos.
Acquisition of Floyd Bennett Field.
Ante, p. 815.

Expenditures prior to acquisition.

Contracts.

SEC. 2. The provisions of section 4 of the Act approved April 25, 1939 (53 Stat. 591), as amended shall be applicable to the public-works projects authorized by this Act.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Navy shall transmit to the Congress on or before January 10, 1943, a statement by projects of the obligations incurred pursuant to the authorization provided in this Act.

Approved, December 26, 1941.

[CHAPTER 631]

JOINT RESOLUTION

December 26, 1941
[H. J. Res. 41]
[Public Law 379]

Making the fourth Thursday in November a legal holiday.

Thanksgiving Day.
Fourth Thursday of November made a legal holiday.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fourth Thursday of November in each year after the year 1941 be known as Thanksgiving Day, and is hereby made a legal public holiday to all intents and purposes and in the same manner as the 1st day of January, the 22d day of February, the 30th day of May, the 4th day of July, the first Monday of September, the 11th day of November, and Christmas Day are now made by law public holidays.

Approved, December 26, 1941.